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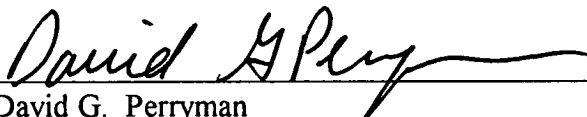
Sir:

In the Statement of Reasons for Allowance transmitted with the Notice of Allowance dated November 26, 1996, Applicants note, as amended in Applicants' August 28, 1996 Amendment, the subject application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Serial No. 958,562, filed October 8, 1992, now U.S. Patent No. 5,453,357. Therefore, *Matsui, et al.* cited in the Examiner's Reasons of Allowance is not prior art against the subject application, since it is a

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publication by the inventors of this application (see Applicants' June 4, 1996 Amendment, Page 10).

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